

Self-employed scientists and engineers, by education, occupation, and type of business: 2013

(Percent)

Characteristic	Total	Unincorporated business	Incorporated business
All employed scientists and engineers	17.4	6.6	10.9
Highest degree in S&E field	16.8	6.4	10.3
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	18.6	7.5	11.1
Computer and mathematical sciences	13.4	4.6	8.7
Physical sciences	14.6	5.7	8.9
Social sciences	18.4	8.2	10.1
Engineering	16.1	4.3	11.8
S&E highest degree level			
Bachelor's	18.1	6.8	11.4
Master's	13.9	5.5	8.4
Doctorate	10.8	5.3	5.5
Professional	37.8	24.4	13.3
Occupation			
S&E occupation	10.7	3.3	7.3
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life scientists	5.8	2.2	3.8
Computer and mathematical scientists	10.3	2.9	7.5
Physical scientists	7.8	2.2	5.3
Social scientists	15.5	9.5	6.0
Engineers	12.0	2.6	9.5
S&E-related occupations	15.7	5.0	10.7
Non-S&E occupations	22.4	9.5	12.9

NOTE:

Scientists and engineers include those with one or more S&E or S&E-related degrees at the bachelor's level or higher or those who have only a non-S&E degree at the bachelor's level or higher and are employed in an S&E or S&E-related occupation.

SOURCE:

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